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Shirley J. Neal Paralegal

October 15, 2014

VIA REGULAR MAIL

Judy Matthews
Administrative Assistant
Public Service Commission of SC
101 Executive Center Dr.
Columbia, SC 29210

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Re:

DOCKET NO. 2014-363-C – Application of Talk America Services, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate as a Competitive Local Exchange and Long Distance Carrier in Those Areas of the State of South Carolina Where the Windstream (WIN) Companies are Currently Authorized and for Approval of the Transfer of Residential Local and Long Distance Customers of the WIN Companies to Talk America Services, LLC

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Dear Judy:

Columbia

Greensboro

Greenville

Hilton Head

Myrtle Beach

Raleigh

Enclosed please find three Affidavits of Publication from *The State, The Post* and *Courier*, and *The Greenville News* evidencing publication of the Notice of Filing and Hearing and Prefile Testimony Deadlines in connection with the above-referenced matter.

If you need anything else, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Shirley J. Neal, Paralegal to

Burnet R. Maybank, III

Enclosures

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Emily Fernandez, Sales Operations Manager
Subscribed and sworn to before me, Karen L. Book,

on this day, September 22, 2014

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A copy of the company's application can be found on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov under Docket No. 2014-363-C. Additionally, a copy of the application is available from the Company's representative Burnet R. Maybank, III. Esquire, Nexsen Pruet, LLC 1230 Main Street, Suite 700, Columbia, SC 29201.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a hearing on the above matter has been scheduled to begin on Monday, November 17, 2014, at 10:00 a.m., before a Hearing Examiner in the Commission's Hearing Room at the Commission's realing to the Commission's receiving the Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210 for the purpose of receiving testimony and evidence from all interested parties.

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Any person who wishes to particiin this matter as a party of record should file a Petition to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before October 13, 2014. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to intervene. Please refer to Docket No. 2014-363-C and mail a copy to all other parties in this docket. Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and the company at the above address, on or before October 13, 2014. Please refer to Docket No. 2014-363-C.

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Attn: Shirley J. Neal 1230 MAIN STREET, SUITE 700 COLUMBIA SC 29201

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